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Proposed Bill No. 402

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Referred to Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION AND
EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Introduced by:
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***AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A HIGHER
EDUCATION PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PROGRAM.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

- 1 That a task force be established to develop a performance funding
- 2 formula pursuant to which not less than seven per cent of all state
- 3 funding for public higher education is set aside to reward schools for
- 4 meeting certain qualitative performance benchmarks, including, but
- 5 not limited to, (1) increasing graduation rates, (2) decreasing time to
- 6 graduation, (3) increasing degrees in high-demand fields, including,
- 7 but not limited to, science, technology, engineering, mathematics, or
- 8 high tech manufacturing, (4) increasing the number and success rates
- 9 of low income and minority students, (5) increasing progression from
- 10 remedial to college level courses, (6) increasing direct spending on
- 11 teaching and student services, and (7) improving efficiency and
- 12 reducing administrative costs, provided such benchmarks are tailored
- 13 to align with the needs, goals and priorities of the various constituent
- 14 units so that each public institution of higher education is judged
- 15 based on criteria relevant to its students and its mission.

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a higher education performance incentive program that rewards schools for increasing student success and performance and for operating efficiently.